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To all Accredited Veterinarians,

We would like to inform you of the following outbreak of EHV that has occurred at a racetrack in New Mexico. Currently Turf Paradise is not accepting horses from this area. However you may have clients that might have brought these horses home to rest. If they did, it is recommended that they quarantine the horse at least 30-50 feet from all other horses and practice good biosecurity to avoid any possible transmission of disease. Also it is recommended that these horses have a temperature taken twice a day and if any of the horses exhibit a fever, they should call you and have nasal swabs and blood taken to send in for EHV testing. With good monitoring and management of diseased horses the disease spread and impact to the equine industry can be minimized.

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Equine Herpes viruses

Sunland Racetrack, NM

Confirmed case(s) quarantined

The New Mexico Livestock Board and the New Mexico Racing Commission are working with officials at Sunland Park Racetrack in southern New Mexico following confirmation of the neurotropic form of EHV-1 in five horses at the track. The first confirmation was made Thursday. By order of the New Mexico Livestock Board, the quarantine perimeter includes Sunland Park Racetrack, as well as local horse-training centers Frontera, Jovi, and Lazy S. Exposed barns have been identified, and an isolation barn to treat symptomatic horses has been established. Additional biosecurity measures are being taken. In addition to state government's regulatory measures, Sunland Park is suspending racing during the quarantine period.

Regards,

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Office of the State Veterinarian